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From: Hines, Ronald [Hines.Ronald@epa.gov]
Sent: 9/26/2013 2:01:49 PM
To: Zenick, Hal [Zenick.Hal@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Urget Inquiry from Anne Thompson, NBC News

FYI

From: DeMarini, David
Sent: Thursday, September 26, 2013 9:58 AM
To: Hines, Ronald
Cc: McQueen, Charlene
Subject: RE: Urget Inquiry from Anne Thompson, NBC News

Hi Ron:

I understand that NIEHS is conducting HUMAN studies (surveys mostly) of people there in Gulf regarding health effects retrospectively, but I am not aware of any research per se regarding Corexit (i.e., the oil dispersant). I can make a few quick calls right now across the lake to see. We are not doing anything in this regard ourselves.

D.D.

From: Hines, Ronald
Sent: Thursday, September 26, 2013 9:54 AM
To: DeMarini, David
Cc: McQueen, Charlene
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David-

Are you aware at all of any research NIEHS is continuing to do related to dispersants used in the Gulf after the oil spill? Someone suggested you might be knowledgeable.

Ron

From: Zenick, Hal
Sent: Thursday, September 26, 2013 9:41 AM
To: Greene, Rick; Munns, Wayne; McQueen, Charlene; Cascio, Wayne; Richards, Carl; Fontaine, Thomas; Rogers, John M.; Kadeli, Lek
Cc: Hines, Ronald; Benson, William; Russo, Bill
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I have pulsed the DDs and should promptly have an answer I'll try to follow up with NOAA.

From: Kadeli, Lek
Sent: Thursday, September 26, 2013 9:38 AM
To: Sonich-Mullin, Cynthia; Zenick, Hal; Kavlock, Robert
Cc: Venosa, Albert; Greene, Rick
Subject: Fw: Inquiry from Anne Thompson, NBC News
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Need a quick anSwEr on below

From: Ganesan, Arvin
Sent: Thursday, September 26, 2013 9:29:30 AM
To: Reynolds, Thomas; Johnson, Alisha; Behringer, Caroline
Cc: Stanislaus, Mathy; Kadeli, Lek
Subject: Inquiry from Anne Thompson, NBC News

Just spoke with the Administrator who wanted us to get her an answer on the following, asap. She had a sit down with Anne Thompson of NBC News who asked about reports that fisherman in the Gulf were still concerned about dispersants and their alleged contribution to deadzones, etc. She asked specifically about what sort of research we are doing on dispersants. I'm not sure we are doing this research, and I am certainly aware of where the Subpart J rulemaking but can you verify? Also, do we know if this research is happening at NOAA?

Thanks.

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